



U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535

February 24, 2023

MR. NOAH SCHEER



FOIPA Request No.: 1577436-000
Subject: FOREMAN, CLARK

Dear Mr. Scheer:

The FBI has completed its search for records subject to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) that are responsive to your request. The enclosed 23 pages of records were determined to be responsive to your subject and were previously processed and released. Please see the selected paragraphs below for relevant information specific to your request as well as the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum for standard responses applicable to all requests.



In an effort to provide you with responsive records as expeditiously as possible, we are releasing documents from previous requests regarding your subject. We consider your request fulfilled. Since we relied on previous results, additional records potentially responsive to your subject may exist. If this release of previously processed material does not satisfy your request, you may request an additional search for records. Submit your request by mail to **Initial Processing Operations Unit, 200 Constitution Drive, Winchester, VA 22602, or by fax to (540) 868-4997**. Please cite the FOIPA Request Number in your correspondence.



Please be advised that additional records responsive to your subject exist. If this release of previously processed material does not satisfy your request, you must advise us that you want the additional records processed. Please submit your response within thirty (30) days by mail to **Initial Processing Operations Unit, 200 Constitution Drive, Winchester, VA 22602, or by fax to (540) 868-4997**. Please cite the FOIPA Request Number in your correspondence. **If we do not receive your decision within thirty (30) days of the date of this notification, your request will be closed.**



One or more of the enclosed records were transferred to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). Although we retained a version of the records previously processed pursuant to the FOIA, the original records are no longer in our possession.

If this release of the previously processed material does not satisfy your request, you may file a FOIPA request with NARA at the following address:

National Archives and Records Administration
Special Access and FOIA
8601 Adelphi Road, Room 5500
College Park, MD 20740-6001



Records potentially responsive to your request were transferred to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), and they were not previously processed pursuant to the FOIA. You may file a request with NARA using the address above. Please reference file numbers 100-HQ-7319, 100-NY-81860, 100-WF-19302, 100-BS-12431, 100-HQ-45652, and 100-WF-28937 in your correspondence.

- ☐ One or more of the enclosed records were destroyed. Although we retained a version of the records previously processed pursuant to the FOIA, the original records are no longer in our possession. Record retention and disposal is carried out under supervision of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) , Title 44, United States Code, Section 3301 as implemented by Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1228; Title 44, United States Code, Section 3310 as implemented by Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1229.10.
- ☒ Records potentially responsive to your request were destroyed. Since this material could not be reviewed, it is not known if it was responsive to your request. Record retention and disposal is carried out under supervision of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) according to Title 44 United States Code Section 3301, Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Chapter 12 Sub-chapter B Part 1228, and 36 CFR 1229.10.
- ☐ Documents or information referred to other Government agencies were not included in this release.

Please refer to the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum for additional standard responses applicable to your request. **"Part 1"** of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. **"Part 2"** includes additional standard responses that apply to all requests for records about yourself or any third party individuals. **"Part 3"** includes general information about FBI records that you may find useful. Also enclosed is our Explanation of Exemptions.

For questions regarding our determinations, visit the www.fbi.gov/foia website under "Contact Us." The FOIPA Request Number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request.

Please be advised that if you are seeking a new search for records, you may wish to narrow the scope of your request based on material that you have already received, e.g., timeframe or locality. Additionally, be advised that "unusual circumstances" may apply. See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(6)(B)(iii). These "unusual circumstances" will delay our ability to make a determination on your request within 20 days. See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(6)(B). Additionally, the payment of pertinent fees may apply to your request. See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(4)(A)(viii). The application of "unusual circumstances" is not a determination of how the FBI will respond to your substantive request.

If you are not satisfied with the Federal Bureau of Investigation's determination in response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, 441 G Street, NW, 6th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20530, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA STAR portal by creating an account following the instructions on OIP's website: <https://www.justice.gov/oip/submit-and-track-request-or-appeal>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.

You may seek dispute resolution services by emailing the FBI's FOIA Public Liaison at foipaquestions@fbi.gov. The subject heading should clearly state "Dispute Resolution Services." Please also cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified. You may also contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Sincerely,



Michael G. Seidel
Section Chief
Record/Information
Dissemination Section
Information Management Division

Enclosure(s)

FBI FOIPA Addendum

As referenced in our letter responding to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request, the FBI FOIPA Addendum provides information applicable to your request. Part 1 of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. Part 2 includes standard responses that apply to requests for records about individuals to the extent your request seeks the listed information. Part 3 includes general information about FBI records, searches, and programs.

Part 1: The standard responses below apply to all requests:

- (i) **5 U.S.C. § 552(c).** Congress excluded three categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIPA [5 U.S.C. § 552(c)]. FBI responses are limited to those records subject to the requirements of the FOIPA. Additional information about the FBI and the FOIPA can be found on the www.fbi.gov/foia website.
- (ii) **Intelligence Records.** To the extent your request seeks records of intelligence sources, methods, or activities, the FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(1), (b)(3), and as applicable to requests for records about individuals, PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(1), (b)(3), and (j)(2)]. The mere acknowledgment of the existence or nonexistence of such records is itself a classified fact protected by FOIA exemption (b)(1) and/or would reveal intelligence sources, methods, or activities protected by exemption (b)(3) [50 USC § 3024(i)(1)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that any such records do or do not exist.

Part 2: The standard responses below apply to all requests for records on individuals:

- (i) **Requests for Records about any Individual—Watch Lists.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of any individual's name on a watch list pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(7)(E) and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(7)(E), (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that watch list records do or do not exist.
- (ii) **Requests for Records about any Individual—Witness Security Program Records.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records which could identify any participant in the Witness Security Program pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(3) and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(3), 18 U.S.C. 3521, and (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that such records do or do not exist.
- (iii) **Requests for Confidential Informant Records.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of confidential informant records pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(7)(D), (b)(7)(E), and (b)(7)(F) [5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(7)(D), (b)(7)(E), and (b)(7)(F)] and Privacy Act exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. § 552a (j)(2)]. The mere acknowledgment of the existence or nonexistence of such records would reveal confidential informant identities and information, expose law enforcement techniques, and endanger the life or physical safety of individuals. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that such records do or do not exist.

Part 3: General Information:

- (i) **Record Searches and Standard Search Policy.** The Record/Information Dissemination Section (RIDS) searches for reasonably described records by searching systems, such as the Central Records System (CRS), or locations where responsive records would reasonably be found. The CRS is an extensive system of records consisting of applicant, investigative, intelligence, personnel, administrative, and general files compiled by the FBI per its law enforcement, intelligence, and administrative functions. The CRS spans the entire FBI organization, comprising records of FBI Headquarters, FBI Field Offices, and FBI Legal Attaché Offices (Legats) worldwide; Electronic Surveillance (ELSUR) records are included in the CRS. The standard search policy is a search for main entity records in the CRS. Unless specifically requested, a standard search does not include a search for reference entity records, administrative records of previous FOIPA requests, or civil litigation files.
 - a. *Main Entity Records* – created for individuals or non-individuals who are the subjects or the focus of an investigation
 - b. *Reference Entity Records*- created for individuals or non-individuals who are associated with a case but are not known subjects or the focus of an investigation
- (ii) **FBI Records.** Founded in 1908, the FBI carries out a dual law enforcement and national security mission. As part of this dual mission, the FBI creates and maintains records on various subjects; however, the FBI does not maintain records on every person, subject, or entity.
- (iii) **Foreseeable Harm Standard.** As amended in 2016, the Freedom of Information Act provides that a federal agency may withhold responsive records only if: (1) the agency reasonably foresees that disclosure would harm an interest protected by one of the nine exemptions that FOIA enumerates, or (2) disclosure is prohibited by law (5 United States Code, Section 552(a)(8)(A)(i)). The FBI considers this foreseeable harm standard in the processing of its requests.
- (iv) **Requests for Criminal History Records or Rap Sheets.** The Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division provides Identity History Summary Checks – often referred to as a criminal history record or rap sheet. These criminal history records are not the same as material in an investigative "FBI file." An Identity History Summary Check is a listing of information taken from fingerprint cards and documents submitted to the FBI in connection with arrests, federal employment, naturalization, or military service. For a fee, individuals can request a copy of their Identity History Summary Check. Forms and directions can be accessed at www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/identity-history-summary-checks. Additionally, requests can be submitted electronically at www.edo.cjis.gov. For additional information, please contact CJIS directly at (304) 625-5590.

EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, WFO (101-440)

FROM : BARBARA RUFFIN, Chief Clerk

SUBJECT: CLARK HOWELL FOREMAN

DATE: 9/19/66

A correlation memo on CLARK HOWELL FOREMAN, subject of this case, has been prepared and filed in 100-19302-114.

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Washington, D. C.

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Internal Security - C

Classification 100 - 3767

Date Received JUL 1 1941

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Remarks Employed as division director for Public Works Administration,

Listed on indices of: Keep Out of War, Cooperative, Washington Committee
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

Special Agent

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Washington, D. C.

September 3, 1941

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: ^EMRS. CLARK FORHAN
INTERNAL SECURITY
HATCH ACT

Dear Sir:

Attention: Mr. P. E. FOXBORGH

Reference is made to my letter dated July 8, 1941, which reflected that the above-named individual is employed with the Public Works Administration, Federal Works Agency, and that her name appears on the active indices of the various alleged front organizations in the District of Columbia.

Please be advised that subsequently it has been determined Mrs. FORHAN is not employed in the Government and as a consequence, no further investigation will be conducted concerning her under the Hatch Act classification. However, in view of the fact that her name does appear on the active indices of the Washington Committee for Democratic Action, an Internal Security investigation will be conducted concerning her unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

S. E. McKEE
Special Agent in Charge

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GUY HOTTEL, SAC

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Washington, D. C.

September 3, 1941

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: CLARK FORBES
INTERNAL SECURITY
HATCH ACT

Dear Sir:

Attention: Mr. P. E. FOXWORTH

Reference is made to my letter dated July 8, 1941, which reflected that the above-named individual is employed with the Public Works Administration, Federal Works Agency, and that his name appears on the active indices of the various alleged front organizations in the District of Columbia.

Please be advised that a subsequent check of the photographic copies of the active indices has failed to reveal that his name appears on the indices of any of the militant front organizations. As a consequence, no investigation will be conducted concerning him under the Hatch Act classification and it is requested that his name be deleted from the above-mentioned list.

Very truly yours,

S. E. MCKEE
Special Agent in Charge

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1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Bland
1 - Mr. Baumgardner
1 - Mr. Kleinkauf

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Assistant Attorney General
Malcolm Anderson

March 13, 1959

Director, FBI

EX-132
EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE;
CLARK FOREMAN
FEDERAL REGULATION OF LOBBYING ACT

Reference is made to the memorandum from the Department dated March 10, 1959, captioned "Emergency Civil Liberties Committee, Alleged Violation: Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act; Complainant: Representative Francis B. Walter," reference MA:JWB:cj, 72-16-46.

This is to advise that the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (ECLC) is under active investigation by this Bureau as a communist front organization and its activities have been investigated over the past several years. Copies of investigative reports concerning the activities of the organization, particularly those activities relating to legislation before Congress, have been furnished the Department on a continuing basis under the caption "Emergency Civil Liberties Committee, Internal Security - C." Various memoranda prepared for the Attorney General and/or the Assistant Attorney General, Internal Security Division, incorporating pertinent information relating to the activities of the ECLC and its director, Clark Foreman, have also been forwarded on a continuing basis. Foreman is the subject of a current security investigation and reports prepared in that case have been furnished the Department under the caption "Clark Howell Foreman, Internal Security - C."

Inasmuch as Foreman is presently registered under the Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act (FRLA), it appears the only violation would be the failure to register in 1957 and 1958. Therefore, it is believed the ECLC and the Foreman files in the Department contain sufficient information to enable the Department to make a determination whether a violation exists. It is suggested that the Criminal Division may desire to have the files reviewed for this purpose and advise this Bureau whether a violation exists or whether additional investigation is necessary before such a determination can be made.

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1 - Washington Field Office (Enclosures - 2)

ATTENTION SACS NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICES

See note on page two.

1 - Bufile 100-384660 (ECLC)

1 - Bufile 100-45652 (Clark Foreman)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

July 13, 1959.

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE:

MRW:JWB:cf

FROM : Malcolm R. Wilkey, Assistant Attorney General,
Criminal Division

72-16-46

SUBJECT: Emergency Civil Liberties Committee; Clark Foreman
Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act

Reference is made to your memorandum of June 1, 1959,
concerning the above matter.

For your information we have concluded that a criminal prosecution against the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee for violation of the Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act would not be warranted. Further investigation looking toward such a prosecution is not desired, and our file in that regard is being closed.

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CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Committee on Un-American Activities
WASHINGTON

February 6, 1959

The Honorable William P. Rogers
The Attorney General
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

As you will note from the enclosed booklet entitled, "Operation Abolition" issued by the Committee on Un-American Activities, the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee which has been cited as a Communist-front and its affiliates have been conducting an intensive campaign for the purpose of destroying the security program of this Government and discrediting the Committee on Un-American Activities and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This campaign has included rallies in a number of principal cities, letter writing drives, advertisements and the like.

The nerve center of the operation in the Nation's Capitol is directed by Mr. Clark Foreman who has been quarterbacking the drive from headquarters established in the Carroll Arms Hotel, Room 203, Washington, D.C. Mr. Foreman's activities include numerous long distance calls to Communist agents and Communist organizations, as well as to Communist-front groups in all parts of the country in order to stimulate the campaign. Included in his telephone calls are a number of calls to Capitol Hill.

May I make it perfectly clear that I do not in any sense question the right of any citizen, be he Communist or otherwise, to engage in any legitimate petitioning of the Congress, or to assert opposition to any government agency or program. It is my position, however, that the American people are entitled to know the activities of Communists and the Communist conspiracy in this country, irrespective of the shape or form of its manifestations.

Further, there can be no question of the existence and applicability of the Federal statutes requiring registration of persons who for pay are attempting to influence legislation. A check with the Clerk of the House of Representatives reveals that neither the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee, nor its Director, Clark Foreman, did during the years 1957 or 1958 file a detailed accounting of contributions and expenditures as required by the Lobbying Act of persons who receive and expend funds for the purpose of influencing legislation. The only statement which appeared on the Clerk's records from the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee or any official thereof, is a brief

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preliminary statement signed by Clark Foreman, Director, without details as to receipts or expenditures.

May I, therefore, solicit your good offices to the end that there may be forthwith an investigation to determine whether or not there has been a violation of the Lobbying Act by the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee, or any official thereof?

Sincerely yours,

S/ FRANCIS E. WALTER

Francis E. Walter
Chairman

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

1 - Mr. DeLoach
 1 - Mr. Rosen
 1 - Mr. Belmont
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 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
 1 - Mr. Kleinkauf

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: March 12, 1959

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

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SUBJECT: EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE;
 CLARK FOREMAN
 FEDERAL REGULATION OF LOBBYING ACT

Memorandum from Criminal Division 3-10-59 enclosed copies of a letter to the Attorney General dated 2-6-59 in which Congressman Francis E. Walter made a complaint of a possible violation of the Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act (FRLA) by the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (ECLC) and its director, Clark Foreman. Criminal Division memorandum requested a preliminary investigation be conducted and reports be furnished to that division. Congressman Walter's letter to Attorney General stated that ECLC has been conducting an intensive campaign to abolish the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA); that its director, Clark Foreman, has established headquarters in Washington, D. C., in carrying out activities connected with this campaign; Foreman has made telephone calls to Capitol Hill; that a check with the Clerk of the House of Representatives reveals that neither the ECLC nor Foreman during the years 1957 and 1958 filed details of contributions and expenditures as required by the FRLA; and that the only statement which appears on the Clerk's records is a brief preliminary statement signed by Foreman without details as to receipts or expenditures. Walter requested an investigation to determine whether or not there has been a violation of the FRLA by the ECLC or any official thereof.

with Clerk
 Bufiles disclose that Foreman registered/pursuant to FRLA, listing his employer as ECLC, on 1-22-59 at which time he filed a preliminary report listing nature and amount of anticipated expenses as \$15,000 for expenses, publications, mailings, travel and salary of approximately \$2,500 annually prorated for this work. Bufiles do not disclose that Foreman or the ECLC registered under FRLA for years 1957 and 1958. A review of provisions of FRLA, contained in Section 43, Volume II, Manual of Instructions, reflects only possible element of violation on the part of ECLC and Foreman at this time would be for failure to register for years 1957 and 1958. This element states that the accused, "prior to registering with the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives, for pay or for any other consideration attempted to influence passage or defeat of any legislation pending before the Congress of the United States."

Enclosure sent 3-13-59
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1 - 100-384660 (ECLC)

1 - 100-45652 (Clark Foreman)

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DATE 11/18/81

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Memo for Mr. Belmont
RE: EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE;
CLARK FOREMAN

Washington Field Office has advised that Foreman registered with the Clerk of the House on 1-22-59 and with the Secretary of the Senate on 1-21-59; and that neither ECLC nor Foreman was registered with either the Clerk or the Secretary for 1957 and 1958.

ECLC under investigation as communist front. Foreman is subject of pending security matter case and on Security Index. Bufiles disclose for past couple of years ECLC has carried on intense campaign to abolish HCUA. Pertinent information furnished Department on continuing basis under ECLC and Foreman case captions, both in report form and in memoranda to Attorney General and/or Assistant Attorney General, Internal Security Division. In view of this, believed Department is in possession of sufficient information to determine whether violation of FRLA exists. We should call Department's attention to data already in its files; suggest it may desire to review files and advise Bureau whether violation exists.

RECOMMENDATION:

That attached memorandum to Malcolm Anderson, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, copy to Assistant Attorney General, Internal Security Division, be approved and transmitted. Copies are being furnished Washington Field Office and New York for information.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: May 1, 1959

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE;
CLARK FOREMAN
FEDERAL REGULATION OF LOBBYING ACT

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Criminal Division of Department has case concerning Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (ECLC) and Clark Foreman under consideration for violation of Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act (FRLA) as a result of a complaint received from Congressman Francis E. Walter, chairman of the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA). By memorandum 4-29-59 Criminal Division advised that before a determination could be made whether a violation of the FRLA has occurred additional information was needed from Congressman Walter concerning his complaint. Accordingly, Criminal Division requested that Congressman Walter be interviewed for all information he can furnish in regard to his allegation of a possible violation of the FRLA by captioned subjects.

Foreman is director of ECLC and is on the Security Index. Copies of reports concerning the investigation of Foreman have been furnished the Department on a continuing basis. ECLC is the subject of a current investigation as a communist front organization and copies of the reports concerning our investigation of the organization and Foreman's activities in the organization have been furnished the Department on a continuing basis.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the attached letter to the Washington Field Office, instructing that office to have Congressman Walter interviewed expeditiously in line with the Department's request, be approved and transmitted.

Enclosure sent 5-1-59
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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
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EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE;
CLARK FOREMAN
FEDERAL REGULATION OF LOBBYING ACT

Reference is made to Bureau memorandum to Assistant Attorney General Malcolm Anderson, Criminal Division, Department of Justice, dated March 13, 1959, copy of which was furnished your office.

There is enclosed a copy of a memorandum from Assistant Attorney General Malcolm E. Wilkey, Criminal Division, Department of Justice, dated April 29, 1959, containing a request that Congressman Francis E. Walter be interviewed for all information he can furnish regarding his allegation of a possible violation of the Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act by captioned subjects. You are instructed to have Congressman Walter interviewed immediately regarding this matter in line with the enclosed memorandum. As noted in the enclosed memorandum the interview should include, but not necessarily be limited to, the questions set forth therein.

Furnish the results of this interview to the Bureau immediately upon conclusion thereof in memorandum form suitable for dissemination. Furnish five copies to the Bureau and three copies to the New York Office in order that the New York Office may place copies in the files of that office concerning captioned matter, the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee and Clark Foreman.

Three copies of instant communication are being furnished the New York Office in order that one copy may be placed in each of the above-mentioned case files.

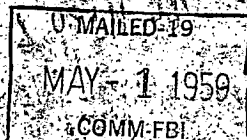
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NOTE: See memo Baumgardner to Belmont dated 5-1-59 captioned as above.

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TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

FROM : *unw* Malcolm R. Wilkey, Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

DATE: *✓* April 29, 1959

MRW:JWB:ca

72-16-46

SUBJECT: Emergency Civil Liberties Committee;
Clark Foreman
Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act

Reference is made to your memorandum to us dated March 13, 1959, captioned as above.

From our examination of the Department files referred to in your memorandum, we find that additional information is needed concerning the complaint of Congressman Walter before we can determine whether a violation has occurred. Accordingly, it is requested that Congressman Francis E. Walter, the complainant, be interviewed for all the information he can furnish in regard to his allegation of possible violation of the Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act by the above subjects. The interview should include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following:

1. What specific legislation did the subjects influence or attempt to influence the passage or defeat of?
2. When and in what manner was such influence or attempted influence exerted?
3. At the time that such influence or attempted influence was exerted, was the specific legislation involved pending in the Congress?
4. In an effort to influence the passage or defeat of such specific legislation, was any direct contact with any Member of the House of Representatives or Senate made by the subjects or as the result of the subjects' activities? If so, which members?

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SAC, Washington Field Office

May 19, 1959

Director, FBI (119-53)

EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE;
CLARENCE FOREMAN
FEDERAL REGULATION OF LOBBYING ACT

ReBulet 5-1-59 captioned as above.

Advise whether or not interview requested in reBulet has been conducted and, if so, furnish results thereof to Bureau by return mail. In the event above interview has not been conducted, advise date thereof.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (119-53)

DATE: 5/21/59

FROM : SAC, WFO (119-36)

SUBJECT: EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE
CLARK FOREMAN
FEDERAL REGULATION OF LOBBYING ACT

ReBulet dated 5/19/59.

Upon receipt of Bulet, dated 5/1/59, in captioned matter, contact was made with Mr. RICHARD ARENS, Staff Director, HCUA, in order to arrange an appointment with Congressman FRANCIS E. WALTER (D. Pa.) concerning this matter. Mr. ARENS advised that WALTER had instructed him to handle the matter in WALTER's behalf. Mr. ARENS in turn instructed LOUIS RUSSELL, HCUA Investigator, who has been handling this investigation for the Committee, to prepare the information requested by reBulet of 5/1/59.

Mr. RUSSELL is presently out of town but ARENS has stated that RUSSELL will be back on 5/25/59 and will be able to furnish the requested information on that date. RUSSELL will be contacted on 5/25/59 and the Bureau promptly advised.

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June 1, 1959

Assistant Attorney General
Malcolm R. Wilkey

Director, FBI

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CLARK FOREMAN
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Reference is made to the memorandum from the Department dated April 29, 1959, captioned as above, Department reference MRW:JWB:cf, 72-16-46, requesting that Congressman Francis E. Walter be interviewed for all the information he can furnish in regard to his allegation of possible violation of the Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act by captioned subjects.

The Washington Field Office has advised that Mr. Richard Arens, staff director, House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA), was contacted to arrange an appointment with Congressman Walter concerning this matter.

Mr. Arens advised that Congressman Walter had instructed him to handle the matter on Walter's behalf, and Arens in turn had instructed Louis Russell, HCUA investigator, to prepare the information desired in this matter.

Mr. Russell was contacted and interviewed on May 25, 1959. The details of this interview are set forth in the enclosed memorandum dated May 27, 1959. In view of the contents of the enclosed memorandum, no further investigation is being conducted in this matter in the absence of a specific request from the Department.

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1 - Assistant Attorney General
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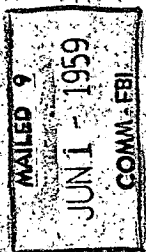
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Assistant Attorney General
Malcolm R. Wilkey

NOTE ON YELLOW:

The afore-mentioned data was transmitted by WFO letters 5/21 and 27/59, serials 5 and 6 respectively, in captioned case. At the time of the contact with Arens, Russell was out of town and would not be back until 5-25-59; therefore, the interview with Russell could not have been conducted prior to that date.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (119-53)

DATE: 5/27/59

FROM : SAC, WFO (119-36)

SUBJECT: EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE
CLARK FOREMAN
FEDERAL REGULATION OF LOBBYING ACT

Rebuletts 5/1/59 and 5/19/59 and WFO let 5/21/59 in captioned matter.

Attached hereto are five copies of a letterhead memorandum as requested in Bulet 5/1/59.

As pointed out in WFO let 5/21/59 LOUIS RUSSELL, HCUA Investigator is handling the HCUA investigation of the ECLC and he was interviewed rather than Congressman FRANCIS E. WALTER.

Inasmuch as FOREMAN was registered with the Office of the File Clerk, House of Representatives at the time the complaint was lodged and because of the lack of specific allegations in this matter WFO is taking no further action.

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- 3 - New York (encl.3)(Info)(RM)
 - 1 - 100-107419 (ECLC)
 - 1 - 100-81860 (Clark Foreman)
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Washington, 25, D.C.
May 27, 1959

Emergency Civil Liberties Committee
Clark Foreman
Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act

On May 25, 1959, Louis Russell, Investigator, House Committee on Un-American Activities advised that that committee has no specific information concerning identities of members of Congress contacted by captioned individual or organization in an effort to influence legislation in the Congress. In addition Russell could furnish no specific pieces of legislation in the Congress upon which Foreman or the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee had taken any action. He did state that since Congressman James Roosevelt had sponsored a resolution calling for the dissolution of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, he surmised that either Foreman or a representative of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee had been in contact with him.

Russell continued that when the letter to the Attorney General from Francis E. Walter, Chairman, House Committee on Un-American Activities dated February 6, 1959 was prepared, the Committee had been advised by the Office of the File Clerk, House of Representatives that Clark Foreman had not registered with that office as a Lobbyist. He stated that subsequent to this check, after above mentioned letter had been prepared, the Office of the File Clerk notified the Committee that Foreman as Director of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee had, in fact, registered as required by law and that this oversight had been caused by index cards adhering to one another during search.

This memorandum is loaned to you by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and neither it nor its contents are to be distributed outside the agency to which loaned.

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Assistant Attorney General
Malcolm Anderson

The Washington Field Office of this Bureau has advised that Foreman registered pursuant to the FALA with the Clerk of the House of Representatives on January 22, 1959; with the Secretary of the Senate on January 21, 1959; and that neither the ECAC nor Foreman was registered with the Clerk or the Secretary for 1957 and 1958.

1 - Assistant Attorney General
Internal Security Division

NOTE FOR SACs NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICES:

There is enclosed for the information of the New York and Washington Field Offices one Photostat each of the above-mentioned departmental memorandum 3-10-59 and the letter from Congressman Francis E. Walter to the Attorney General dated 2-6-59.

NOTE ON YELLOW:

See memorandum Baumgardner to Belmont dated 3-12-59 and captioned as above, JHK:fk.